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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to documentst filed 12/6/2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6,11-17,22-28 and 33.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
2. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Mark A. Goldstein on 20 December 2007.

In the Claims

Claims 23-28 and 33 have been amended as follows:

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): Software operable in a client computer, the software to A
~~computer program product comprising a computer usable medium having computer readable~~
~~program code embodied therein operable in a processor for~~ conspicuously display displaying
telephone numbers on the a client computer, the software to cause a computer program
~~comprising computer readable code for causing the processor~~ included in the client computer to:

scan a data unit for telephone numbers

automatically identify at least one telephone number within the data unit

package a phone number object corresponding to the identified telephone number, wherein the
object is defined such that the telephone number is activatable and the object defines a function
for sending a data trigger to a switch over a data network to initiate a telephone call over a
telephone network between a first telephone corresponding to a telephone number associated
with a user of the client computer and a second telephone corresponding to the identified

telephone number, wherein the first telephone and the second telephone are separate and distinct from each other and are separate and distinct from the client computer

when the identified telephone number is displayed as part of a display of the data unit, cause the identified telephone number to have a display attribute which renders the identified telephone number conspicuous to the user.

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23 ~~further comprising~~ to further cause the processor included in the client computer to:

~~computer readable code for causing the processor to scan the data unit as a consequence of an instruction to display the data unit.~~

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23, wherein the data unit is part of a file, wherein only a portion of the file is displayable.

Claim 26 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23, wherein the data unit includes displayable text intermixed with non-displayable data.

Claim 27 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23 ~~further comprising computer readable code for causing the processor to~~ further cause the processor included in the client computer to:

detect an activation instruction by the user of a displayed telephone number
cause a telephone call to be initiated using the displayed telephone number.

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Claim 28 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23, wherein the display attribute is selected from the group comprising: a distinctive color, underlining, a distinctive font, highlighting on mouse roll-over, and a right-click menu.

Claim 33 (Currently Amended): The software ~~computer program product~~ of claim 23 ~~further comprising computer readable code for causing the processor to~~ further cause the processor included in the client computer to:

embed the object in the data unit, the object including a hook for allowing initiation of telephone calls using the telephone numbers.

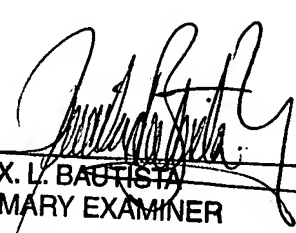
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3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to X. L. Bautista whose telephone number is (571) 272-4132. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 8:00AM-6:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Weilun Lo can be reached on (571) 272-4847. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

4. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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